

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

MINNIE B KENNEDY MIDDLE

Aiken

Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 917**

Principal: Kyle A. Smith

Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt Board Chair: Ms. Rosemary B. English

PERFORMANCE

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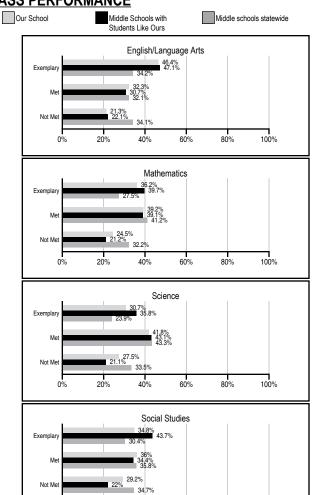
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2009	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
14	6	4	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE



Writing

80%

100%

Not Me

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels

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READING - GRADE 8 (2011)					
South Carolina	28	45	25	2	
Nation	25	43	29	3	
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced					
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)					
South Carolina	30	38	25	7	
Nation	28	39	26	8	
% Below Basic					
SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)					
South Carolina	45	32	22 1		
Nation	38	33	28		
% Below Basic					

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	98.5			
English 1	100.0	98.3			
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	92.7			
Physical Science	N/A	70.3			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A			
All Subjects	100.0	98.0			

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

MINNIE B KENNEDY MIDDLE [Aiken]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=917)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	46.2%	Down from 50.8%	35.8%	24.5%
Retention rate	1.2%	Up from 0.6%	0.3%	0.7%
Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 96.0%	96.5%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	29.7%	Up from 28.6%	26.7%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	4.8%	Down from 7.1%	7.7%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	1.3%	Down from 2.2%	0.8%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.4%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=47)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	53.2%	Up from 52.2%	62.1%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	89.4%	Up from 89.1%	86.3%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.8%	Up from 89.5%	88.9%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.0%	94.6%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,252	Down 0.1%	\$48,207	\$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.7%	Up from 2.4%	1.2%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	6.2 days	Down from 6.8 days	8.9 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 3.0	4.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.4 to 1	Down from 29.8 to 1	24.2 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Up from 89.2%	90.7%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 86.8%	98.4%	98.1%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Excellent	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,243	Down 6.3%	\$6,647	\$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	72.9%	Up from 70.5%	66.0%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.6%	Up from 67.3%	64.1%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days	86.2%	Down from 92.6%	86.0%	80.5%

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	252	152
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.1%	73.5%	76.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.5%	75.8%	77.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.7%	85.4%	75.2%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

M.B. Kennedy Middle School is middle school with approximately 920 students in grades 6-8 in Aiken, SC. Our school is traditionally noted as one of the premiere schools in South Carolina and this year was no exception. Our students once again performed at high levels in both academic and extra-curricular affairs throughout the year. Academically, our students scored above average gains in MAP testing and our PASS testing results also indicated strong results again.

M.B. Kennedy Middle School continued its strong reputation as a school of reading. Our student body accumulated over 100,000 Accelerated Reader points which represented over 10 million words and over 13,000 books being read.

M.B. Kennedy Middle School's mission statement stresses the education of each student and the preparation for high school. Our vision is to provide an outstanding environment where students can become productive members of our global society. This vision requires Kennedy Middle School to constantly strive to provide our students with additional support. We created enrichment classes for all of our students to provide additional academic support in our core curriculum classes. We also hired math and ELA tutors to provide support for our students who needed additional assistance.

In other areas of success:

- -36 students were recognized as South Carolina Junior Scholars
- -50 students qualified to as DUKE TIP recipients
- -141 students received the Presidential academic award -29 students selected to participate in the all-county band
- -5 students were Aiken County Language Arts Festival award winners
- -5 students DAR essay contest award winners
- -100% of our 8th graders passed the Algebra 1 and English 1 End of Course exams
- -126 new students were inducted into our BETA Club

As we conclude another successful year, our vision for continued success and improvement remains.

Kyle A. Smith Ryan Tripp Principal School Improvement Council Chair

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.